

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-10 are cancelled; Claims 11-30 are pending.

No new matter is added.

The obviousness-type double patenting rejections of Claims 11-30 as being unpatentable in view of the claims of U.S. Application No. 11/994,031 and the claims of U.S. Application No. 11/913,181 are traversed. Applicants have filed, along with this paper, a Terminal Disclaimer. Applicants note that a Terminal Disclaimer "is not an admission of obviousness..." and that "[i]n legal principle, the filing of a terminal disclaimer simply serves the statutory function of removing the rejection of double patenting, and raises neither presumption nor estoppel on the merits of the rejection." Quad Environmental Technologies, Corp. v. Union Sanitary District, 946 F.2d 870, 874, 20 USPQ2d 1392, 1394 (Fed. Cir. 1991). Withdrawal of the rejections is requested.

Applicants submit the present application is now in condition for allowance. Early notification to this effect is earnestly solicited.

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